Russia's first response to President Roosevelt's overtures was adverse and the President then made a personal appeal to the Czar.

"In ordinary cases I am in favor of referring such matters to the Committee on Foreign Affairs," said Senstor Smith. "This, however, is not an ordinary affair. The effect of the President's notes will be lost entirely if we delay any longer action on the

"I do not think the importance of said Senator Lodge. "It projects Congress in the first place into the field of foreign negotiations which under our form of Government is reserved to the Executive. More than that, it also projects Congress into the field of HEIGHTS ARE STORMED European politics and involves it in the affairs of Europe. Such resolutions as heretofore have been passed regarding Europe have been of the general character of expressions of sympathy for suffering people and for people struggling for liberty or

UNDER FOOT, SAYS LODGE.

peace between warring nations with losses to the attackers. which we are on friendly terms. That | The towns of Barsecsi and Topesci right is specifically given under The as well as several hill positions, were Hague conventions, which have been captured by the Teutonic forces, trampled under fost and utterly dis- | Field Marshal von Mackensen also all other neutrals.

"The President is the proper authority to offer mediation, but such Russlans and Roumanians have been ence from outside.'

"I do not think," said Senator driven back further, Hitchcock, "that where it is a war Hitchcock, "that where it is a war lows: between independent powers there is lows: "Front of Archduke Joseph; any precedent or authority for the position that an attempt by a neutral would be resented or regarded as an unfriendly act." Senator Lodge replied that he had

explicitly said that there had not been any unfriendly act. LODGE ACCEPTS THE WORD OF

THE PRESIDENT. "It will be observed," said Senator Lodge, "that the President found necessary to say that in enaking his offer at this time he was embarrassed because it might seem to have been prompted by the recent overtures of the Central Powers. The President assures us that it was not. Of course, I accept the President's state-

Discussing the German Ambassa Discussing the German Ambassador's action in giving out a statement regarding the note. Senator Lodge said he thought he was justified in mentioning the Ambassador's name, despite the unwritten rule in Congress not to mention names of foreign diplomats in debate.

"I think I am justified," continued Senator Lodge, in citing this statement of the German Ambassador as showing why the President's note has

showing why the President's note has been so much misinterpreted. But that misinterpretation is so wide over the world that it presents a very serious objection to our indersing the

GERARD CONFERS WITH HOLLWEG ON MOVES FOR PEACE

By Carl W. Ackerman.

which he held with the Imperial gade, together with Austro-Hungarian Chanceller von Bethmann-Heilweg.

that the American diplomat and Germany's Chancellor talked of the aliles' unfavorable reply to Germany's peace

Proffers.

The question of whether the United States intends to remain neutral or whether President Wilson is playing for the psychological moment to enter the war is raised to-day by

Absolutely Removes

FOUR MORE TOWNS TAKEN BY TEUTONS IN EASTERN DRIVE

this resolution can be exaggerated," Russo-Roumanian Forces Make Hard Counter Attack But Fail and Lose Heavily.

Hard Hand to Hand Fighting Is Told of in Report From Berlin.

BERLIN, Jan. 8 (by wireless to HAGUE CONVENTION TRAMPLED Sayville) .- On the Moidavia front yesterday strong attacks were made "The right to offer mediation is un- by Russo-Roumanian forces. Toquestioned. We have the right to day's official announcement says offer our good offices to bring about these assaults failed with heavy

regarded since this war began-a de- reported capture after hand to hand struction apparently watched with fighting of the towns of Pintecresti indifference by caracives as well as and Mera on the Milcovul, with 400 prisoners. In the interior of Roumania the

offers have always been made along driven back west and south of Folwell recognized lines. Belligerents shani, and the invaders are now in may without breach of friendship or front of the fortified Russian posigood will decline or resent interfer. tion. In Dobrudja the Russians are restating vigorously, but have been The text of the statement fol-

"Front of Archduke Joseph;
Strong hostile attacks against
Mount Faitucanu falled with
heavy losses. Between the Suchitza and Putna Valleys several
heights were captured by storm
and in hand-to-hand fighting.
Russian and Roumanian counter
attacks were remained.

attacks were repulsed.

"Harsesci and Topesci were occupied after an engagement.

"Front of Field Marshal Markensen:—Our movements are proceeding further as planned, in the mountains between the Zabala valley and the rain German and the mountains between the Zabala valley and the plain, German and Austro-Hungarian troops pushed back the enemy toward the northeast. West and south of Fokshani troops of the ninth army are now standing before the fortified position of the Russians.

"Pintec: ti and Mera on the Milcovul, were taken by storm and in hand-to-hani flightms. Four hundred prisoners were brought in.

"In Dobrudi the Duslans, de-

"In Dobrud! the Buslans, despite their tenacious resistance, have been pushed back further toward Vacareni and Jijila and Into Matchin."

AUSTRO-GERMANS IN ANOTHER OFFENSIVE

BERLIN, Jan. 3 (by wireless to Sayille).-Austro-German raiding forces esterday conducted a successful operation in Northern Galicia, in which 130 Russians were made prisoners, the Army Headquarters announced to-

day. The official statement says: Theocelier von Bethmann-Hollweg. infantry, brought back three officers and 127 men from the Russian lines."

GERMANS RAID THIRD LINE TRENCHES NEAR LORRAINE

Defenses Destroyed and a Few Prisoners Taken, Says Berlin Report.

SUNK, IS BERLIN CLAIM

BERLIN, Jan. 3 (by wireless to sayville).—"Including the French battleship Gaulois, sunk by a German submarine," says an Overseas

News Agency Statement to Aux.

Girl Friend of Slain Model Questioned About the Tragedy



WEB TIGHTENS AROUND

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SUITOR OF MURDERED
PHILADELPHIA MODEL

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The family of the murdered girl.

Whose real name was Mazie Agnes having known Miss Roberts, but said BERLIN, Jan. 3 (United Press).—

A long report was cabled President
Wilson to-day by American Ambassador Gerard, following a conference

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Capt. Tate declared the woman had Two Passengers and Motorum been hit on the head, apparently, as

lying room to shout for help. The were shightly injured when a north

pedo boats and submarines, of a total tomage of 759,430, have been sunk since the beginning of the war.

"Of these \$25 vessels were British, of a total of 655,200 tons.

"The total losses of Entente warships exceed the total tomage of the war.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—It is and errsons living directly opposite her apartment heard no noise." The man said to be under guard is known to have spent long of the war.

"Auxiliary cruisers and ships of special type that have been lost are not included in the figures given."

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MINEOLA: L. 1., Jan 3.—Justice

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n charge of the most expensive un-legrating firm in the city.

her family is said to be in the most ing for athletes, because in addition to modest circumstances, there is much two men prominent in baseball circles speculation as to who is paying for in this city are listed among her ac-

the funeral. Interment will be in quaintances whom the police will question.

Male friends of the girl continued to present themselves at the Detective Bureau to submit to questioning.

Miss Collins had an apartment in the the Cologne Gazette.

The question of American neutrality is now to the force in the ceaseless talk of the peace situation. But Germany has not yet reached the worrying stage as to America's position. It is to be noted that the people are

possibilities. There are rumors of great movements, new inventions and new war plans.

There is no doubt the Germans want America to remain neutral—but the Germans are not sure that America wants neutrality. The German public, in its analysis of recent developments, regards the American President as a Sphinx.

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STOCK MARKET Shares Close at Gain of 51-4 Points in Heaviest Trading Since Peace Note.

STEEL UP TO 115;

LEADS BIG BOOM IN

novement lo-day in one of the higgest one-day boom markets the Stock Exchange has experienced in a long time. Of a total of 1.165.000 shares sold Steel furnished the bulk of the activity, opening at 110 3-4, a gain of 11-8 over yesterday's close, climbing the little opening at 114 7-8, a net in the programme is that it does not provide for a means of enforcing the awards of the mediation board.

Steel went up on the strength of an unofficial statement and an official ARTILLERY DUELS RAGE statemen, both supposedly coming from the United States Steel Corporation. The official statement seforth that the corporation spent \$60,000,000 last year in construction and would have seent more had labor been available and that the expendiures of the corporation since organnaterial total \$42,000,000 more than the par value of the common stock. The unofficial straement was that

vill declare an extra dividend of The Belgian communication says rom \$3.25 to \$5 a share. Apparentwell spread in inside circles for wise traders were early in the market for

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TO STRENGTHEN WILSON'S ARBITRATION PROPOSAL

Judge Chambers Asked to Draft Justice Cohalan's Decision Clears Amendment to the Rail-

give to the courts the right to inter-pret and enforce the awards of the Board of Mediation and Conciliation. The Court called attention to many the press agent says it was called "A Waiting Soul"—when it caught The request was made to Chambers by members of the Newlands Railroad Committee.

During to-day's hearing Senator Underwood compared the proposed arbitration feature of the President's railway programme to the proposed could be contained.

ALONG LINES IN FRANCE

Both Sides Report Heavy Firing From North Sea to Swiss Frontiers.

PARIS, Jan. 3 .- "The artillery action was quite active on the Hardaumont-Bezonvaux front, intermittent analysis published to-day by the
on the rest of the front," according
to the official statement issued last
night.

The Belgian communication says
that "on the whole Belgian front
fell a bit short of \$1,000,000,000, Canto the official statement issued last be directors at the January meeting night.

y this information had been pretty there was quite heavy artillery activity on both sides. The Belgian bat-teries successfully shelled east of Ramscapelle, Dixmude and Steen-

SWANN SCORES

urers never rendered us any assistance in these labor cases. I never ishness of wheat and made sensareceived any assistance from them officially when I was in the office, advance, They hindered the prosecution all

"Mr. Swann's charge is false in its entirety. You may go as strong as You like on that."

Miami Copper Company—Extra diction to dend of 50 cents a share in addition to quarterly divided of \$1.50, payable Feb. 15 to stock of record Feb. 1.

District Attorney Swann produced before Judge Mulqueen in General Sessions to-day twenty-three of the twenty-seven labor leaders indicted

"These men have come here at the request of their counsel," Mr. Swann said, "to refute the charge that they had been 'scattered to the four winds ne of those not here is ill in a hostal. To are in Pennsylvania and ould not be reached overnight. An her, Jaw Murphy, is in the Tombs, ut is represented here by counse ask that these men be allowed to without ball, paroled in the cusdy of Lacir counsel. I accept full sponsibility for their presence here

henever required." District Attorney Swann said he District Attorney Swann said he bassy has informed the State Depart-ould, if the court required, produce mant, at the same time usking in-formation regarding any special rules the witnesses on whose testimony e labor leaders had been indicted. except several who are in the emloy of a strikebreaking organization which one of my accusers is inter-

Judge Mulqueen had Clerk Cowing ke down the home and business ad- FOR INDEPENDENT LITHUANIA resses of all the men and allowed

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ALBANY, Jan. 3 - Gov. Whotman ALBANY, Jan. 3.—Gov. Who man is climated to say anything on the Swann last. It is known, however, that the Jovernor does not consider a memorandum of charges filed with the Court of General Sessions, such as the Delchanty presentation, to constitute formal and official charges on which he Executive can act. There is inti-nation that nothing converning the ase is officially before the Governor proper form. This is considered by ome to indicate that Mr. Whitman cas not back of the Delehanty harges and is not interested in their

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES.

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ASCHE WINS SEPARATION FROM "NOVELETTE" BRIDE

the Manufacturer of Charges of Cruelty.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.-Judge Wil- Justice Cohalan this afternoon Nam L. Chambers, United States awarded a separation to Herman T. Commissioner of the Board of Media- Asche, a wealthy importer of No. 499 tion and Conciliation, was to-day re- Riverside Drive, from his young wife, quested to prepare an amendment to Asta Asohe, and in the decision quotthe proposed railway bill that would ed the famous "novelette confession"

hers by members of the Newlands
Raifrond Committee.

During to-day's hearing Senator
Underwood compared the proposed
arbitration feature of the President's
railway programme to the peonage
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Judge Chambers pointed out that revealed her discontent with her ma

BRITAIN BEST CUSTOMER OF U. S. WITH \$2,000,000,000

France More Than Doubled Her Purchases in 1916, but Fell Short of \$1,000,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Purchases f nearly \$2,000,000 made the United Kingdom by far the best customer tion was quite active on the Hardau- of the United States in 1916. An

ada was third with \$600,000,000. Beside the central powers, the three neutrals of Northern Europe alone of all the world failed to receive mor American goods than in 1915. American exports to Germany dur

ing the year were more than \$1,600,-000. Austria-Hungary took less than WHEAT ADVANCES 63-4

ON STRONG BUYING

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 .- The upward ft of prices on the Board of Trade -day continued from the opening. broadened out to a greate (Continued From First Page.)

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time had some of them since I left.

As a matter of fact, the manufact
Urers never rendered ye any Assist.

Corn continued to reflect the bull.

Corn continued to reflect the bulllose was strong at 41, to 5c.

ITEMS FOR INVESTORS.

United Verde Copper Company-Reg-dar monthly dividend of 75 cents and an extra 75 cents.

Kelly Springfield Tire Company—Req-ular quarterly dividend of \$1 on common stock, payable Feb. 1 to stock of record Jan. 15.

Midwest Refining Company—Regular quarterly 2 per cent, dividend payable Feb. 1 to stock of record Jan. 15. Midvale Steel Company-Initial quar terly dividend of \$1.50, payable Feb. 1 to stock of record Jan. 20. Total earn-ing for 1916, \$38,961,276; surplus after charges, \$32,169,164; equal to \$16.98 per charge, par value \$59.

JAPAN TO ARM LINERS.

Through Panama Canal. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Japan in-tends to arm her merchant chips for tends to arm her merchant chips for day postponed until Friday. defensive purposes, the Japanese Em-

for the passage of such ships through the Panama Canal.

There are no restrictions, as the Government holds that defensive armament does not deprive a ship of its character as a peaceful merchant-

600,000 Members of National Counell Here Appeal to President. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 .- A demand

indocsed by 600,000 members of the Lithuanian National Council of America

French Steamer Leon Sunk by Submarine. BREST, Jan. 3 .- The French

steamer Leon of 2,401 tons gross has steamer Leon of 2,401 tons gross has MacHinter Lathe tand wanted German probeen sunk by a submarine. The country Metals work Write Boxelett Breezew was saved.

PETROVA SAVED AT FIRE WITH 35 OTHER FILM FOLK

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nce of mind in making their escape. Miss Siebel was winding part of the fire. Her right arm and her face were distered and her hair was singed. Her clothing did not catch fire, but she screamed so loudly that Miss Relly ran in from the storage room in time to encounter a blast of flame that scorched her neck, arms and hands.

The two girls, recalling many instructions about what to do in case of fire, started for the special stair-

of fire, started for the special stairway, and on the way out closed two fireproof doors behind them. Had they left the doors open there might have been a different story to tell about Mme. Petrova and her leopardskin coat and her pigeon blood rubles. The fire was confined to the studio building. building.
Robert North, general manager of

the company, estimates the loss at \$250,000, chiefly in films not yet shown, and in costumes.

The men of Engine Company No. 26 had a narrow escape while fighting the fire.

A big galvanized iron ventilator on the peak of the mof was disloged from its fastenings by a stream of water and rolled down among

But the firemen saw the ventilator coming. Those in its way grabbed hold of the hose lines and hung on like acrobats, dangling over the flery pit.

MUST CONSIDER WILSON, SAYS LONDON NEWSPAPER

High Time Allies Took American Situation Seriously, Declares Westminster Gazette.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Commenting on Washington despatches to the effect that President Wilson is determined to press his efforts to bring about peace, the Westminster Gazette says: "The notion that the Americans" President is a purely academic par-son who launches literary essays on the world without preparation beforehand or consideration of the next step if probable consequences follow is a dangerous delusion, which may seri-

ously lead us astray if it is not abandoned. "But whatever we do, whatever our prepossessions may be, it is high time that we took the American situation sertously and were ready with a definite policy in regard to it."

PARLIAMENTARY CHIEFS TO CONFER IN BERLIN

Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey Will Send

Representatives to Gathering.

LONDON, Jan. 3 .- In a despatch to he Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen the correspondent says: "The Vienna Reichspost says it learns that an important meeting of the Presidents of the German, Austro-Hungarian, Bulgarian and Turkish Parliaments will be held in Berlin Jan. 18."

Argument on Telper Motion Again Postponed. BUFFALO, Jan. 3.-Argument on



DIED.

CHAPIN. On Wednesday, Jan. 3, GENTA W. CHAPIN, wife of Barton West Sist at. on Pricay, Jan. 5, at 11

GREKIE .- On Jan. 1, at Polycitale Hospital, CHARLES GEERIE, for 30 years chorister and choir librarian at St. Bartholomew's Church.

Funeral services at St. Bartholomewie

Church, Madison av. and 44th et., Thorsday, at 12:30. HELP WANTED-MALE.

PENNY A POUND PROFIT

Special for Tomorrow, Thursday, January 4th COLONIAL FUDGE—New thrills for Loft Fudge lavers! In this sweet we present a delicious blending of Honey-Sweet Marshmellow and toothsome Chocolate Fudge, formed into dainty squares of extreme goodness. WE ALSO OFFER:

OLD DUTCH STYLE CREAM CHOC-OLATES—The King of the Bitter-sweets, having centres of richest Cream in a host of delicious trutt flavors, and coverings of that tiond Old-Fashion Bitter-sweet Chocolate of inexcelled richness and Parity; —A novelty assortment of lustrously fluished, daintily tinted, delicately fluvored Sweels, having centres of either lustrous Froit Jellies or tarty cranched Suts, Put up in attractive ment containers, 34c Closes 10 p.m. Sat 10 p.m.

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